

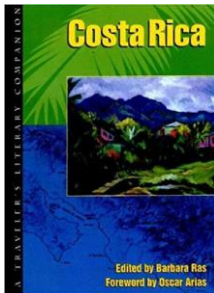


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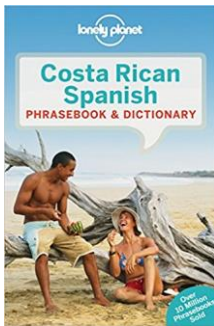
Costa Rica

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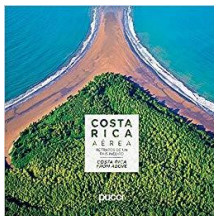
Costa Rica: A traveler's Literary Companion by Barbara Ras:

Journey into the Costa Rican imagination through twenty-six remarkable stories, selected and organized regionally for the curious traveler. Here, for the first time in English, the best of Costa Rica's writers conjure the country's allure and vitality, its coffee fields and palm groves, cicadas and songbirds, shrouded mountains and blazing savannas, while telling stories unique to Costa Rican life.



Costa Rican Spanish Phrasebook & Dictionary by Lonely Planet:

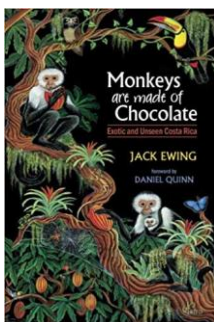
This well organized and handy phrasebook is great for anyone looking to culturally enrich their travels to Costa Rica by using the local Language. Speaking with the locals in their own language is an amazing step closer to feeling truly immersed in the colorful Costa Rican culture.



Costa Rica from Above by Sergio and Giancarlo Pucci:

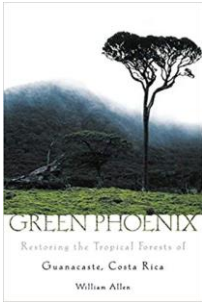
A collection of 300 aerial photographs taken in small airplanes, helicopters, ultra-lights, and gyrocopters. It is a work of extraordinary images that show a diverse country, full of contrasts. This book will inspire you and transport you to paradise all year round.

PHOTOGRAPHY!



Monkeys are Made of Chocolate: Exotic and Unseen Costa Rica by Jack Ewing:

Looking for an interesting read as well as a look into Costa Rica's unique wildlife? Look no further than Jack Ewing's collection of stories from his time living there. Compiled along with guest columns from publications in Costa Rica, enjoy this fascinating look into the wildlife, jungle and conservation of the wild ecosystem.

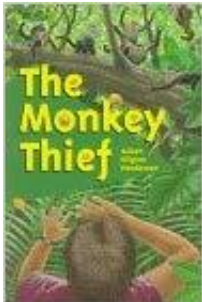


Green Phoenix: Restoring the Tropical Forests of Guanacaste by William Allen:

Enjoy this extremely refreshing and positive look at the ways in which humans can restore the world's tropical forests. There's so many books out there that casts a gloomy cloud over the destruction of the world's rainforests and open spaces. Here, William Allen shares his experience of saving the tropical forests of Guanacaste, which were ravaged by fires. The writing is vivid and inspiring and a must-read for anyone interested in biodiversity.

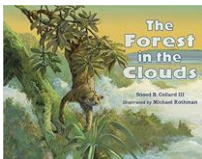
LONG READ!

FOR KIDS (8+)



The Monkey Thief by Aileen Kilgore Hendersen:

This is an exciting tale about a boy sent to Costa Rica to live with his uncle, who is setting up a nature preserve. Steve Hanson befriends rain forest native, Don Luis, and hatches a dangerous scheme to capture a pet monkey for himself.



The Forest in the Clouds by Sneed B. Collard III:

Kids of all ages will enjoy this easy-to-follow illustrated guide of the enchanting Costa Rican Rainforest. From wildlife to plants to conservation, this engaging book will get them excited to learn even more!



The Umbrella by Jan Brett:

When Carlos drops his umbrella to climb a tree for a better view of the animals, they all cram into the banana-leaf umbrella as it floats by. It gets so crowded that the umbrella tumbles, everyone falls out, and poor Carlos comes back wondering why he didn't see any animals all day. This cheerful tale of escalation will have readers poring over every illustration for the world of details Jan packs in.

4 to 8 Year Olds!